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BILLINGS RESIDENT PUTS ACADEMICS TO WORK

MISSOULA --

Emily Garding, a University of Montana graduate student from **Billings**, participated in a fall semester internship program offered through UM's Center for Work-Based Learning.

The center provides opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to integrate academic theories and principles with practical job experience related to their chosen fields.

Garding, an environmental studies major, was a biological technician for the National Park Service in Grand Canyon, Ariz., where she implemented a program to study human interaction with mountain lions in Grand Canyon National Park and other parks throughout the Colorado Plateau. She is a 1994 graduate of Billings West High School. Her parents are Ed Garding and Lona Weldon of Billings.

UM's Center for Work-Based Learning serves about 2,000 students each year. In 2001 the center placed 700 interns throughout Montana, the United States and overseas in more than 35 fields of employment. For more information, visit the center's Web site at www.umt.edu/internships.

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